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Letter from Edward Whitney, Boston, Massachusetts, to Anne Whitney, 1871 May 24

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one fine large one ~~the~~ like the
Abyssinia - Bowker & Torrey &
others tell me Canara Blocks are not
to be had in Boston & New York - & that
the only way is to send to Italy for what
you want, which takes time -
McCraw speaks well of the Middlebury
(marble) as does ~~Chas~~ S. Greenough
who made a full length statue of you, which
I saw yesterday at the Latin School -
The asst. of the Quarry read to me a
letter of Greenough's written a year
& a half ago in which he stated the
marble as being very firm texture &
free of sand holes which the Canara
is so much subject to - They have
been doing ^{of late} ~~but~~ very little at the Middle-
bury Quarries - The asst tells me he will
go up there next week & will inform
me, on his return as to the prospects

of getting out some good blocks - I
will write you again after I hear
from him -

We are having a delightful May & all
your friends here are feeling the good
influences of the fine weather & the
beauty & joy that is all around us in
the Country - Father walks down
to our house now & then, to see
how things ^{prosperity} ~~from~~ ^{are} in blossom
& Mother makes longer excursions -

The other day after dinner, Mr &
Aunt Sarah, made an afternoon
call on Aunt Traft - Katie
Lombard is with Sarah for a few
ds. & is looking pretty well - James
writes that Susan coughs less & says
she is better - Dr Foster says she
will get better, if she can prevent
taking cold - She will return next